In the Claims:

Claims 1-32. (Cancelled)

33. (Currently Amended) A hand-held rotary cutter for cutting a thin sheet material, comprising:

a circular cutting blade having an axis, an axial centerline perpendicular to the axis, a diameter, a maximum thickness extending between a first lateral side and a second lateral side, a cutting edge defined by a first edge surface and a second edge surface, wherein the first edge surface extends between the first lateral side and the second edge surface, and the second edge surface extends between the first edge surface and the second lateral side, wherein the first edge surface and the second edge surface are symmetrical about the cutting edge ~~cutting edge is symmetrical about the axial centerline in a cross-sectional plane extending perpendicularly between the first and second lateral side surfaces and through the axis~~, and wherein the cutting edge includes an edge angle defined by the first and second edge surfaces that is not less than forty degrees and not greater than fifty degrees, wherein the diameter of the cutting blade is not greater than fifteen times the maximum thickness; and

a handle having a hand grip portion and an axle on which the cutting blade is pivotally mounted to rotate about its axis, wherein the cutting blade and the manner in which it is mounted on the handle permits the rotary cutter to travel a multi-directional path ~~follow unguided, multi-directional patterns~~ across the thin sheet material.

Claim 34 (Cancelled).

35. (Currently Amended) A hand-held rotary cutter for cutting a thin sheet material, comprising:

a circular cutting blade having an axis, an axial centerline perpendicular to the axis, a diameter, a maximum thickness extending between a first lateral side and a second lateral side, a cutting edge defined by a first edge surface and a second edge surface, wherein the first edge surface extends between the first lateral side and the second edge

surface, and the second edge surface extends between the second lateral side and the first edge surface, wherein the first edge surface and the second edge surface are symmetrical about the cutting edge ~~the cutting edge is symmetrical about the axial centerline in a cross-sectional plane extending perpendicularly between the first and second lateral side surfaces and through the axis~~, and wherein the cutting edge includes an edge angle defined by the first and second edge surfaces that is not less than forty degrees and not greater than fifty degrees, wherein the diameter of the cutting blade is not greater than fifteen times the maximum thickness; and

a handle having a hand grip portion and an axle on which the cutting blade is pivotally mounted, wherein the handle is operable to permit the cutting blade to ~~be manually maneuvered~~ travel in a directionally unrestricted ~~manner~~ path across the thin sheet material.